TOWN OF SOMERS ZONING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 21, 2019 6:30 PM - Somers Town Hall Auditorium

Meeting was called to order at 6:34pm. Members present, Jill Conklin, Chairman, Karl Walton, Dan Fraro, Paige Rasid. Also present: Jennifer Roy, Staff Liaison, Jeff Bord, Town Engineer, Carl Landolina, Town Attorney and Bud Knorr, First Selectman

Glenn Chalder provided a brief presentation regarding the major changes to the zoning regulations.

Jill Conklin opened the floor for public comments and correspondence regarding draft Zoning Regulations. The following residents addressed the commission:

Joseph Duffy, 3 Meadow Brook Road Nancy Rodrigues, 213 Pinney Road Janet Wornok, Maple Street Ken Prior, 364 Mountain Road Ralph Williams, 42 Springfield Road Vicki Clark, 175 Mountain Road Tom Clark, 175 Mountain Road Karen Murdoch, 24 Gulf Road

Glenn Chalder and Carl Landolina answered various questions of the residents, as well as recorded comments and questions for discussion with the commission after public comment time.

Jill Conklin called for any additional comments from the audience. Seeing none, the commission moved to next item on agenda, review and discussion of revised Zoning Regulations draft, and additional correspondence from residents related to Zoning Regulation revisions.

Glenn Chalder felt the commission was ready for him to prepare a final draft, and schedule public hearing for adoption; the commission was in agreement. Karl Walton made a motion to set a Public Hearing on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:30pm, in the Town Hall Auditorium for the adoption of the revised Zoning Regulations. Dan Fraro seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Discussion was held. Paige Rasid asked about defining a "Tasting Room". Glenn Chalder mentioned a few descriptions. Jennifer Roy will check other towns with same permitted use, and provide examples for the commission to discuss at their November meeting.

Discussion and re-scheduling of November meeting due to election. The commission agreed to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 6:30pm in the auditorium, for the pending applications for Hillsdale. Jennifer Roy will include regulation discussions on the agenda to allow further discussion of wineries/breweries/distilleries.

Paige Rasid made a motion to adjourn, Dan Fraro seconded. All in favor, meeting adjourned 9:09pm.